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PATENT
Docket No. CU-2513

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claims 35-54 are pending before this amendment. By the present amendment, claims 35-52 have been canceled without prejudice; and claim 53 is amended. No new matter has been added.

In the office action (page 2), claims 35-52 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Jansson (NO 933009 - full English translation thereof) in view of Keyes (US 4,713,335).

The applicants have subsequently canceled claims 35-52 and thereby removed the basis for this rejection. Accordingly, the examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw this rejection.

In the office action (page 7), claims 53-54 are allowable because a process for an improved separation process for production of oil from a biological material via the overall steps defined by instant claim 53, as well as instant claim 54, is neither taught nor reasonably suggested by the prior art.

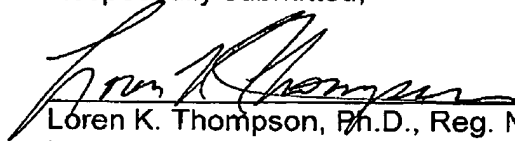
The applicants agree.

For the reasons set forth above, the applicants respectfully submit that claims 53-54, now pending in this application, are in condition for allowance over the cited references. Accordingly, the applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and earnestly solicit an indication of allowable subject matter.

This amendment is considered to be responsive to all points raised in the office action. Should the examiner have any remaining questions or concerns, the examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney by telephone to expeditiously resolve such concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

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